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COMMENCEMENT NEXT WEEK

Exercises Begin Sunday Evening
With Baccalaureate Sermon at
Presbyterian Church.

Annual Commencement exercises of the Stanford Graded and High School will be held next week. The formal program begins with the Baccalaureate Sermon which will be preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. J. A. Trostle, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Salvisa and McAfee, Mercer county, but formerly of this city, was to have preached the sermon, but is ill, and will probably be unable to come. There will be no preaching at other churches that night.

On Monday evening the Mozart Club will give its annual Recital, beginning at 8:15.

On Tuesday evening the Expression, Vocal and Piano departments of the school will have their recital, the program commencing at the same hour.

Wednesday evening is the regular Commencement program when the 11 High School graduates will receive their diplomas. The feature of this evening will be the Commencement Address delivered by Prof. A. St. Clair Mackenzie, of the University of Kentucky. Prof. Mackenzie is a gifted scholar and a splendid speaker and will have something to say to the graduates and their friends. The list of graduates is as follows: Misses Elizabeth Holtzclaw, Maggie Rankin, Gertrude Gaines, Bessie Brackett, Lucille Dudderar, Lucy Wilmot, Messrs. Shirley Gover, Jesse Hocker, Jr., James Tribble, Prescott Brown, and Sam J. Embry, Jr.

On Thursday evening the annual recital of the Music Department of the school will be given, commencing at 8:15 o'clock.

SENIOR CLASS PLAY

The Senior Class of the Stanford High School gave their friends a few hours of delightful entertainment Wednesday evening presenting the clever little skit "The Crimson and the Blue." This was given in four acts, each of which depicted some phase of school activity, and demonstrated some fine histrionic ability on the part of the players. As class president Shirley Gover was everything that could be desired. He had the necessary dignity of manner and voice and was very good. Jesse Hocker, Jr., was one of the real stars of the cast as "Class Clown," and Elizabeth Holtzclaw as the "Class Beauty" played up to and looked her part to perfection. The entire roll including Misses Maggie Rankin, Gertrude Gaines, Bessie Brackett, Lucille Dudderar, Effie Ware, Lucy Wilmot and Messrs. James Tribble, Prescott Brown and Sam J. Embry, Jr., did work that was appreciated and enjoyed by all present which was demonstrated by frequent applause. Miss Esther Burch rehearsed the participants and deserves great credit for the attractiveness of the evening's entertainment. A good house was present.

WALTON GOES TO JESSAMINE

A dispatch from Nicholasville Friday morning said: "James B. Stears, postmaster-elect of Nicholasville, president of the Kentucky Press Association and owner of the Jessamine News, today signed an agreement to sell his paper to Ed C. Walton, formerly part owner of the Stanford Interior Journal and connected with other Kentucky papers. Mr. Walton is a brother of Col. W. P. Walton, the veteran Lexington democratic editor and writer. He will take charge May 29 and will greatly improve the plant, installing a new linotype and other modern machinery." This will be bad news to the host of friends of Mr. Walton in Stanford and this part of the state who had hoped he could see his way clear to remaining in Stanford where he and his family are so generally beloved.

PICTURE SHOW PARTY.

Miss Ophelia Lackey and Mrs. J. C. Bailey entertained a number of young couples for the picture show Thursday evening and at the Princess later for refreshments. Their guests for this delightful entertainment were Mr. Shirley Gover and Miss Bessie Holtzclaw, Mr. Jesse Hocker, Jr., and Miss Maty Grimes, Mr. Prescott Brown and Miss Mary Bailey, Mr. Sam Embry and Miss Rachel Hill, Mr. Bryan Perkins, and Mr. James Tribble.

\$62,000 PAID IN TWO MONTHS

For Poultry By Merriman's Big Buying House at Moreland.

Any business that can distribute \$62,000 among its customers in two months is doing some business for these parts. Especially so when such a business is located in a town of 200 or 300, like the hustling little city of Moreland in the western end of Lincoln county. But that is just what the firm of W. M. Merriman, poultry and produce buyers did during the months of March and April. The I. J. representative was commenting upon the enormous business which Mr. Merriman seemed to be doing, when in Moreland the other day. Several auto trucks were coming in piled high with crates of fowls, and several freight cars on a special siding loaded to the guards with birds for shipment by fast freight to Pittsburgh, Pa. The I. J. man was wondering at the size of the business which Mr. Merriman was doing, when that gentleman pulled out his bank book and showed that his disbursements for the months of March and April, paid out to farmers and housewives, of Lincoln and Casey counties chiefly for chickens, ducks and geese, was in excess of \$62,000. Mr. Merriman is hustler in every sense of the word. He operates several motor trucks in his extensive purchasing business as well as a number of wagons. He has a splendid equipped plant at Moreland, thief and rat proof, capable of caring for several thousand fowls a day. He is doing a great business and is a real benefactor on the West End of the county.

TROUBLE OVER BOOZE.

A ruckus over some whisky which Percy Stewart, colored, obtained Saturday night, resulted in Bob Stewart, his cousin, being badly cut on the arm and back, and catching a 40-day jail-sentence for refusing to tell where he had bought some whisky. Sam Guest, also procured some booze for Percy he said, but couldn't or wouldn't tell where it came from and Judge Davison put Sam in for 20 days, in order to give him time to refresh his memory. A jury which tried Babe Hansford on a similar charge, was unable to agree and he will be tried again. Albert Jones, who was caught coming out of the Tudor poultry pens with several hens, was held over to await the grand jury which convenes next week.

Two gold medals will be awarded at the Opera House Monday night.

EX-LINCOLNITES BUY FARM.

A Rockwood, Tenn., paper last week had the following about two former Lincoln county men: The firm of William Bros., local liverymen, composed of J. B. and J. H. Williams, have this week closed a deal whereby they become the owners of the nice farm at Post-oak, one of the most valuable tracts of land in this end of the county. In the trade Miss Delia Smith retains five acres in the southwest corner of the place as a homestead during her lifetime, and after her death this tract reverts to the purchasers. The William Bros., came to Rockwood several months ago from Norma and engaged in the livery business. They are practical live stock men and will convert the farm into one for the breeding and handling of all kinds of live stock. The land is also to be improved and while considerable farming will be carried on, stock farming will be the feature. The tract contains 532 acres. It lies splendidly and it situated only four miles from Rockwood on the Kingston pike. The residence on the place was burned a couple of years ago, and it is probable that a new home will be erected on the site of the old one by the owners. The farm is to be given over to practical workers, and it is stated that if plans do not miscarry the place will soon be one of the beauty spots of Roane county. The new owners of the property have been congratulated upon their valuable acquisition.

ODD FELLOWS AT SOMERSET.

Frankfort was selected as the next meeting place of the Grand Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Kentucky at the closing session at Somerset Wednesday. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Wilder Dupuy, Frankfort, grand patriarch; James Childs, Maysville, grand priest; P. P. McChord, Paris, senior warden; J. L. Perkins, Catlettsburg, junior warden; J. A. Coleman, Somerset, grand guard; Oscar H. Bel-low, Louisville, grand outside sentinel.

PLAY AT GOSHEN SATURDAY

Home Talent Performance To Be Presented In Evening.

A delightful home talent play is to be given by the young people of the Goshen section at the church there Saturday evening, entitled "Valley Farm." Miss Ella May Saunders, of this city, has been rehearsing those taking part and a very interesting and entertaining performance is assured. An admission fee of 25 cents will be charged, and the performance will begin at 8:15 o'clock. The cast of characters and the acts are as follows:

Alvira Holcomb, sister to Silas. Emma Holtzclaw
Verberna, hired girl at the farm. Ellen Scott
Lizzie Ann Tucker, one who borrows, but never gossips. Mary E. Holtzclaw
David Hildreth, a New York Lawyer. Newell Fox
Isabelle Carney, niece to David Hildreth. Mary Lynn Fox
Perry Deane, a son of the soil. Edwin Holtzclaw
Hettie Holcomb, a country flower transplanted to city soil. Alva Holtzclaw

Harold Rutledge, a young New Yorker. Raymond Taylor
Azariah Keep, a clock tinker. Lynn Gooch
Silas Holcomb, owner of the Valley Farm. Walter Lunsford
Mrs. Rutledge, Harold's mother. Anna Holtzclaw
Jennings, butler at Rutledge Mansion. Albert Gooch

Synopsis
Act I.—Valley Farm. An afternoon in August. The engagement.

Act II.—The Rutledge Mansion. New York City, the following December. The serpent has crept into Eden.

Act III.—Same as before, three weeks later. Parted.

Act IV.—At the farm again. An evening in the next March. The triumph of love.

General News Notes
There are over 75 prisoners in the jail at Hazard.

J. D. Butler, of the Stearns Coal & Lumber Company, McCreaty county, was elected president of the Kentucky Mining Institute at Lexington last week.

With a grand parade the Confederate Veterans closed their annual encampment at Birmingham Thursday with a record for few cases of accident or illness.

Twelve and one-half miles per hour would get your freight over a 100-mile division in eight hours, and even at that, in comparison with transportation such as automobiles and auto trucks, is not very fast service.

The Progressive party will not insist upon the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt for President if the Republicans will name a candidate at Chicago "who stands for progressive principles and is able to put them through," according to a statement by George W. Perkins.

Kentucky, under the State aid plan, will spend approximately \$4,000,000 on road improvement this year, exclusive of what the counties will spend in order to secure the State's assistance. Of 120 counties 103 have asked for State aid and 25 counties have their work under way.

Albert T. Day, of Fleming county, was at Mt. Sterling last week, to receive wool, recently bought from a pool of farmers in Montgomery county. There were 15,000 pounds in the purchase, and the price paid was 40 cents per pound straight.

In a statement issued Wednesday the foreign trade department of the National City Bank, in New York City, says that more than \$350,000,000 worth of horses, automobiles and auto accessories have been exported from the United States since the war began. France and her allies received the major portion of these exports.

Bank stock will be assessed on full valuation and surplus, undivided profits and other assets at 80 per cent. of their stock value, according to the decision of the State Board of Assessment and Valuation. The board first determined to assess all assets at their full value, but bankers from a dozen cities protested against such action.

Henry G. Sanders, 72 years old, died Tuesday at the home of his son, Virgil Sanders, near Lebanon, following a two months' illness of troubles incident to old age. The body was taken to Taylor county, his former home, for burial. He is survived by two sons, Virgil Sanders, of Marion county, and Putnam Sanders of Louisville, and one daughter, Mrs. Jesse Simms, of Lebanon.

W. S. Purdy, a farmer and stock dealer of Bradfordsville, Marion county, died Tuesday on a train between Decatur, Ala., and Athens, Ala. Mr. Purdy had been in the South for several months and at the time of his death was en route home. He was about 61 years old and is survived by his wife and six children. One sister, Mrs. G. C. Thorn-ton, of Lebanon, also survives.

GEORGE SHELBY DIES IN WEST

Members of Prominent Lincoln Family Shocked by News of Brother's Demise in Oklahoma

A dispatch to his brothers and sisters in this county early in the week told of the sudden death at Drum-right, Okla., Monday of George Shelby, a member of the large Shelby family of this section of the state, and a great-grandson of Gov. Isaac Shelby, the first governor of Kentucky.

The first dispatch received Monday said that Mr. Shelby was very ill of acute Bright's disease. This was the first intimation the family here had that he was ill. Shortly afterward another wire came telling of his death. The remains are expected at the family homestead near Shelby City this evening, or tomorrow morning, and interment will follow shortly afterward, at Danville.

Mr. Shelby was between 45 and 50 years of age, and for several years had been in business in the oil fields of Oklahoma. His wife, who was Miss Martha Hubble, daughter of the late Levi Hubble, of this county, preceded him to the grave a number of years ago. Two children survive, Steele Shelby, a young man of 18 or 19 years, and Miss Martha Shelby, aged about 17 who graduates from Margaret College at Versailles this year. In addition the following brothers and sisters survive and have the sympathy of a host of friends and loved ones in their bereavement: Mrs. Anne Darbyshire, Misses Mary Shelby, Tevis Shelby, Florence Shelby, Ike Shelby and Alfred Shelby, all of the Shelby section, Mrs. Lettie Saunders, of New Orleans; Mrs. W. S. Lawwill, of Danville, and Mrs. P. M. McRoberts, of Stanford. Mr. Shelby joined the Baptist church a number of years ago. He was a most estimable gentleman in every way, genial, companionable and a loving father.

KILLING NEAR SALVISA.
Jesse Cole, 40, was shot and instantly killed by Burt Gash, near Salvisa, Mercer county. The two men were squirrel hunting, neither being aware of the other's presence in the wood. It was just commencing to get dark, when Gash, who is a young man about 25 years old, saw what he thought was a squirrel. He fired and upon reaching the place found he had shot Cole thru the head. Medical aid was summoned but Cole was beyond aid. Coroner Shackelford, of Harrodsburg, was notified and went to Salvisa, where he held the inquest. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental shooting. It is feared that Gash, who married a niece of Cole's, will lose his mind from grief.

INVESTIGATED OILING.
The special Oil Committee of the City Council, the Chamber of Commerce and the Woman's Club visited three neighboring towns Thursday to inspect the oiling systems in use, and returned greatly favoring that used by Harrodsburg. They also inspected Danville and Lancaster but found that the oil seems to be spread in the Mercer capital with the greatest efficiency and economy. The trip was made in W. H. Shanks' car and those who went were Messrs. Shanks, Wm. Severance, H. J. McRoberts, E. L. Reinhart, and W. B. Hill.

IVERSON—OAKS
Milton Oaks, a prominent young farmer of the Ottenheim section and Miss Freda Iverson, who has made her home in the Waynesburg section with her brother, Ernest Iverson, came to Stanford, late last week and after securing license, were united in wedlock's holy bonds by Rev. Garland Singleton. Both have many friends who will wish them every happiness. They will make their home on the groom's farm in the Ottenheim section.

CINCINNATI STOCK MARKET
Hogs—Receipts 5,300 head; market generally lower; packers and butchers \$9.65@9.90; common to choice \$7.50@9.25; pigs and lights \$6@9.40; stags \$6@6.75. Cattle—Receipts 600 head; market steady; calves slow \$5@11.50. Sheep—Receipts 200 head; market strong; lambs slow, \$6.50@10.25.

At the Philadelphia Show, "Lady Eglantine," the now famous hen with a record of 314 eggs laid in 365 days was presented with a Gold-Ring Leg Band studded with diamonds. Prof. Stoneburn made the presentation while A. A. Christian, the owner and breeder responded in behalf of the lady, and gave some interesting figures on records, etc. This unusual hen promises much for herself and her line in the future, as her production was not a case of chance. She has the best reasons for being America's Champion Leghorn layer.

STRANGE INDIAN CORN
Our old friend, Frank C. Dizney, of Grays, was here this week and brought us two large ears of seed corn. He recommends it very highly. He says that it bears five to seven large, plump ears of corn to a stalk, and that instead of having a tassel like other corn there is a bag form that produces from a quart to a half-gallon of nice shelled corn. —Barbourville Advocate.

WANT MEN AT BIG PAY

Man From Factory at Dayton, O., Says Workers are Badly Needed

W. O. Davis, of the Platt Iron Works, of Dayton, Ohio, has been in Kentucky for several days visiting at his former home in Danville, and endeavoring to secure some workmen to take back to the big plant in which he has an important position. He says that war orders are swamping the big factories in Ohio and that jobs can be had for the asking. Wages from \$3 to \$14 a day are being paid he says, according to the skill which the workman shows. In the iron works in which Mr. Davis is employed nothing but the outside shell for sharpnel shells is made; in other factories in Dayton, the inner shell and filler is made. His concern is working on an enormous contract with the Russian government. It is working 2,000 men on the day shift and 2,000 men on the night shift. All of the material which is manufactured in Dayton, he says is shipped from there to Canada and thence sent over the seas to Russia by the western route across the Pacific ocean. Mr. Davis says that he has always noticed a number of idlers and men out of jobs in Kentucky towns and he will guarantee to furnish good paying jobs for all who are willing to go to Dayton and work. He will go to King's Mountain on a visit the last of this week he says, and hopes to find some workers there to take back. He was in Stanford Wednesday.

UPHOLD THE PRESIDENT
Says Senator Beckham In Strong Letter on Peace Question

A dispatch from Washington Thursday said: Senator J. C. W. Beckham, replying to a communication recently received by him with which was enclosed a set of resolutions adopted at a mass meeting of Covington and Kenton county citizens touching their desire to preserve peace and friendly relations with Germany, sent the following letter to the chairman of that meeting:

"Washington, D. C., May 11, 1916.
"Mr. William A. Byrne, Chairman, "Covington, Ky.

"My Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your letter of a few days ago, with which you inclosed me a copy of resolutions adopted at a mass meeting of many citizens of Covington and Kenton county, held in Covington on May 1, in which resolutions there was earnestly and strongly expressed the desire of those at the meeting that everything possible should be done by this government to preserve peace and friendly relations.

"It is always a pleasure to me to hear expressions of opinion upon public questions from the people of our State, and to be guided as far as possible by their wishes and views. I, therefore, appreciate your sending me the copy of the resolutions adopted at this meeting, and I wish to assure you that I am and have been in hearty sympathy with the sentiments expressed that everythings should be done to keep our country at peace, and out of any entanglement in the unhappy and awful European war.

"I confidently believe that President Wilson has been as ardently in favor of maintaining peace with Germany, and with all other countries, as any citizen in this country. He has been criticised and, in many instances, misrepresented by partisans of both sides in that conflict, but I believe that he has sincerely endeavored to keep this government in a position of absolute neutrality.

"He has been bitterly assailed by ex-President Roosevelt and many others who have occupied high positions and represent a considerable following for not taking steps in regard to the invasion of Belgium, which if he had taken, would have undoubtedly involved this country in war. But in the face of hostile criticism from both sides he has pursued a patient, patriotic and an American course, which has happily so far saved our people from the sacrifices and horrors of war.

"It seems to me, therefore, that the people of this country, regardless of politics, should uphold his hands in the many difficult and trying positions in which he is placed, and that they should commend him for the splendid and successful manner in which he has so far conducted our foreign affairs.

"You can rest assured that I am in hearty accord with the sentiments of peace advocated by the good people gathered in this mass meeting of May 1, and that, so far as it lies in my power as a member of the United States Senate, I shall do all I can to honorably maintain the peace of our country and uphold the President in his efforts in that direction.

"With great respect, I am
Very sincerely yours
"J. C. W. Beckham."

GIANT POPLAR TREE.
At Kona, The Coeburn Lumber Company loaded for shipping a single poplar tree that contained 12,665 feet of first-grade lumber and over 5,000 feet of other grades. It was cut from Sam Wright's farm on the river above Kona and on a face of the Pine Mountain. The company paid \$730.75 for the tree f. o. b. Kona. This was likely the giant poplar tree in the State.—Whitesburg Mountain Eagle.

ELOPED IN AUTOMOBILE

Scott County Young Man Weds King's Mountain Girl Here

Rue Lucas, a prominent business man of Georgetown, accompanied by John Bridges, his employer, drove through Stanford to King's Mountain Wednesday evening. There they met Miss Enid Flynn, who got in the auto with them, returning to Stanford where Mr. Lucas and the young lady were made man and wife by Rev. D. M. Walker, pastor of the Christian church, at his residence on Logan avenue. The license had been secured in Georgetown by the groom before he came here after his bonnie bride. This romantic wedding will undoubtedly come as a surprise to the many friends of the young lady in the southern part of this county. She is the daughter of Mrs. Ras Allen, and a young woman of rare charm, accomplishments and beauty. The groom is said to be a fine young man, steady, energetic and holding a nice position in Scott county.

REPORT OF TRAGEDY ERRONEOUS
Messrs. Broughton and Chappell Were In Auto Which Was Which By Train and Seven Killed

The remains of James Broughton and W. M. Chappell, who met instant death in an auto accident near Delray, Florida, last Friday were brought to their old home near Crab Orchard Wednesday and interred in the cemetery after services at Ephesus church by Rev. Mack Hutchins. The remains were accompanied back home by Mrs. Chappell daughter of Mrs. Broughton and wife of the other victim, to whom she had been married only eight months. A large number of friends and loved ones turned out to pay the last tribute of respect to the two good citizens whose lives were suddenly snuffed out. Undertaker J. L. Beazley, of this city, met the remains at Crab Orchard, and took them out to Ephesus.

According to the version of the unfortunate affair told by Mrs. Chappell when she arrived at Crab Orchard, an entirely erroneous description of the tragedy reached here, and was published in the I. J. Tuesday. Instead of being in a pony cart which was struck by an auto, killing both Mr. Chappell and Mr. Broughton were in an auto with seven other people, six men and a woman. The woman, it seems, operated an auto bus between Delray and another point, 10 and 12 miles in the interior where a large saw mill was operated in which Mr. Chappell and Mr. Broughton had become interested. En route to that point, they had to cross a railroad. They thought the track was clear, but a freight train backed around a bend suddenly struck the car in which the party was riding, and out of the eight occupants of the car, seven were killed outright, and one, a youth, was so badly injured, that it was expected that he too, would die. The woman who drove the car was killed immediately along with the men. Both Mr. Broughton and Mr. Chappell met instant death when the train backed into their car, and the scene resembled a shambles.

SOME FLORENCE "HOT AIR"
It now looks as if Attorney George D. Florence, of Stanford, will be the Republican standard bearer for Congress in the Eighth Congressional district, from the way that things are shaping up in that neck of the woods. Mr. Florence, who is a nephew of former Congressman George M. Davison, is well-known in Lexington, where he has numerous friends. Congressman Helm, of course, is a candidate for re-election, with State Senator Charles Montgomery, of Casey county, as his opponent for the Democratic nomination, and the Republican leaders figure that the "scrap" between Helm and Montgomery will so divide the strength of the Democrats that Mr. Florence, who is both capable and popular, can win in November. The district is nominally close, and it will be recalled that Mr. Florence's uncle, Hon. George M. Davison, twice triumphed over his Democratic opponent, and it is figured by his friends that Mr. Florence could repeat the performance.—Lexington Leader.

CIRCUIT COURT IN COLUMBIA.
The May term of the Adair Circuit Court convened in Columbia last Monday with Judge J. C. Carter presiding. Several felony cases are set for trial and the civil docket is larger than usual. Judge Carter delivered a strong charge to the grand jury, which immediately retired to begin its work. Stock trading was active among the many farmers who were in Columbia to attend the opening of court. Many mules changed hands at prices ranging from \$125 to \$150, and Claud Pemberton, of Elizabethtown, bought a five-gaited saddle gelding from Sam Burdette, for \$500. State Senator Charles F. Montgomery, candidate for Congress, was a visitor.

"HAMILTON DID IT."
J. W. Hamilton, the well-known sign painter and advertising expert of Stanford, was married at Jeffersonville, Ind., Wednesday to Mrs. Ida Hutchinson, of Louisville, by Magistrate Frank Ogden. Mr. Hamilton is known all over this section by his slogan "Hamilton Did It," with which he signs his signs. He has many friends who will extend congratulations and good wishes.

KILLS GRAY EAGLE
J. K. Bunch, son of King Bunch, killed a gray eagle Monday afternoon near Acme Mills, in the Salmons country, which measured seven feet from tip to tip. The specimen is one rarely seen in this section. Young Bunch sold his eagle-ship to Gene Morris, who presented it to a friend at Bowling Green.—Franklin Favorite.